

## D. A. R. DELEGATES

Organization Takes Firm Stand on Preparedness Soon After Convening Today.

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Mrs. Story was much affected by the result of the vote, and stated that many times the members of the organization have paid her personal tributes, but she regarded this vote as a vote of confidence, and as the very greatest tribute that had been paid her.

The beginning of the Twenty-fifth Continental Congress was announced with the sounding of "assembly" by Bugler Robert Whitcomb, of the Marine Band.

**Mrs. McLean Dying.**  
In calling the congress to order Mrs. Story announced that she had a very sad message for the daughters, which she wished to deliver at once. Mrs. Donald McLean, former president general and one of the most prominent members of the organization, is dying, she stated. Mrs. McLean is at the residence of her brother-in-law, Admiral Walter McLean, at Norfolk.

Later in the meeting, on the motion of Mrs. Charles Bryan, of Tennessee, a vote of sympathy was extended to the members of the McLean family, and the corresponding secretary general was authorized to write a letter immediately, announcing the action.

At the conclusion of a reading of the Scripture and a prayer by Mrs. Mary S. Lockwood, chaplain general, Mrs. Story made a brief address welcoming the members of the organization to the congress, and suggesting that the business of the organization was in excellent shape. She thanked the officers for their cordial support in the past, and beseeched a happy time during the week of the congress.

Before the report of the committee on credentials was presented Mrs. Robert G. Hogan, of Baltimore, rising to a question of personal privilege, asked that representatives of all factions be placed on the committee of tellers in the matter of the election of vice president general, which is to be the principal business of the present congress.

**Inner Politics Seen.**  
The motion of Mrs. Hogan was the first injection of inner politics to the congress. The Maryland delegation, it is learned, is split on the question of the nomination of Mrs. William H. Talbot, of Rockville, vice State general, for the post of president general.

It is stated Mrs. Arthur Lee, of Baltimore, State regent, has declined to nominate Mrs. Talbot for vice president general. Mrs. Hogan's statement was made to insure Mrs. Talbot representation on the committee of tellers, and to insure her nomination. Although none of these facts were reported in the statement, Mrs. Hogan contending herself with asking for representation on the committee.

Mrs. Story announced that as the committee of tellers had not yet been appointed and that the constitution of the organization required representation for all factions and candidates, it was not necessary for the matter brought up by Mrs. Hogan to be voted upon.

The report of the committee on credentials was presented by Mrs. John Newman Cary, of Indiana. Mrs. Cary called attention to the fact that no sessions of the congress were scheduled for Good Friday, the day of the organization's precedent established by the fourteenth congress in 1905.

There is, however, a memorial meeting on the program for Friday night in honor of Mrs. Ellen Hardin Walworth, of Massachusetts, one of the founders of the D. A. R., and Mrs. Julius C. Burrows, of Michigan, late corresponding secretary. On the same evening the national organization will be presented by the president of the late Mrs. Adlai E. Stevenson, of Illinois, by the Illinois delegation.

The first real business session of the congress will begin tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. The announcement of national officers will be made, and the reports of the officers and the committee will be presented.

Tomorrow night will come the nomination of the officers. These include a corresponding secretary general, the vice president general, one honorary vice president general, and the editor of the magazine.

**Congressional Union to Keep Open House to D.A.R.**

Members of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage are planning to keep "open house" at their headquarters in the Cameron House during the convention of the D. A. R. A series of teas, luncheons, and dinner parties are being planned in honor of delegates who are members of the union.

The first of these given yesterday afternoon when Mrs. George Thacher Guernsey, of Independence, Kan., who is mentioned as the next president general of the D. A. R., and Mrs. Helen Hill Weed, of Connecticut, former vice president general, Mrs. Henry Mann, of Virginia, former vice president general, Mrs. Edward Orton, of Columbus, Ohio, former vice president general, Mrs. Emma Fox, of Detroit, Michigan, and Mrs. Florence Finch, of New York, business manager of the D. A. R. Magazine.

**Attack on Valona Is Halted by New Offense**  
ROME, April 17.—Plans for an Austrian offensive against the Albanian port of Valona have been abandoned because of activities along the Italian and Russian fronts, it is learned.

The Austrians were moving troops southward through Albania when the Russians and Italians simultaneously attacked Austrian lines. The troop movements were stopped and part of the Austrian forces were sent back to the Isonzo, where they have been seen in action.

## PROMINENT IN D. A. R. CONVENTION



Above—MRS. WILLIAM CUMMING STOREY, president-general. Below At Left—MRS. G. T. SMALLWOOD, vice president-general. At Right—MISS NATALIE SUMNER LINCOLN, candidate for editor of D. A. R. Magazine.

## Troops in Mexico Wear Nondescript Clothing

EL PASO, April 17.—Clothing is becoming a matter of as much necessity with the American army in Mexico as food. The rags in the far advance in the trailing of Pancho Villa have in many cases worn out everything they took in with them.

Some have even torn their underclothing to the skin, in the brushy, rough country through which they have been riding. Many are wearing sandals on their feet.

They have kept so far in advance of the supply trains that they have been forced to live upon what they could get off the country, quite largely. This meant fresh beef three times a day—generally killed at night and carried in the morning in the next day's hard bread, and when there was time to stop and cook, such bread as the men themselves could fashion from the flour or meal carried with them, and cooked in the individual combination skillet-plate which each soldier carries with him—if he does not lose it in a hard ride.

The men necessary to leave behind because of lack of mounts, have willingly surrendered the best of their clothing to the men who kept in the advance, and the result has been that most of the men at the advance bases are a nondescript lot, not at all inclined to laugh at the lack of uniformity of the clothing of Mexican soldiers they have so often seen on the border.

**Infantrymen Fare Better.**  
The infantrymen have fared better in the matter of clothes than the cavalrymen, because they have not had such difficult trails to do, but many of the "doughboys" are out of shoes, or virtually so, and the task of shoeing an army is a hard one, much harder than the task of clothing them.

A man can wear a pair of trousers or a blouse or a shirt, but it is too large for him if the latest consignment to reach the front happens not to contain his measure, but a pair of shoes must be better. The task of supplying foot-clothing is one that has puzzled the quartermasters not a little.

Either to order or to small, a shoe does the same damage if a man has any walking to do, and even the cavalrymen, penetrating the roughest country on the Mexican continent often have been compelled to dismount at many places and lead their horses alone, unless they had a pair of shoes, or a better pair, to replace the old ones.

To the credit of the troops' and horses of the American army, not a horse has been lost in this manner, it is declared, although many of the horses have been disabled permanently as a result of stumbling over rocks in roads less dangerous.

Shipments of forage for the horses over the railroad from Juarez to Casas Grandes by private individuals has largely relieved the situation for the army generally, as it has permitted the truck trains to carry down some very badly needed clothing, and also to add to each load a few of the delicacies which men crave when forced to subsist upon coarse rations for any length of time.

**Canned Fruit and Candy.**  
Canned peaches and pears and stick and chocolate candies have been shipped in large quantities during the last few days, and these have afforded feasts such as few of the soldiers have ever enjoyed so heartily.

Trip and company messes, living upon the scanty rations obtainable when they first entered Mexico, were entitled to buy liberally from their company funds of these sweets, and most of the troops have received a month's pay since reaching Mexico (with 20 per cent added for foreign service), so there was a big demand for all the sweets that reached any of the camps.

Each consignment was carefully parceled out by the base quartermaster to the various temporary forward bases so that all the men in the expedition eventually would share in the treat.

The sweets were more than a treat for the men with the advance columns, since they have had no time to stop for the preparation of even the ordinary comforts of camp life.

The men stationed along the railroad or the line of truck communication have fared better, since many of them have been near the storm or Mexican communities, where they could buy food-stuffs from the natives.

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Schools also are being opened. In Belgrade two are running, with a total attendance of about 8,000. Instruction, however, is solely in German. Serbian children are being taught to learn it, whether they wish to or not.

**Wins Verdict For \$5,000 From Bank**  
Mrs. Rachel E. Trimble Sought Recovery of Notes From the District National.

Mrs. Rachel E. Trimble today was given a verdict in Justice Stafford's court for \$5,000 in promissory notes against the District National Bank.

The plaintiff sued for the recovery of promissory notes left with Lewis Johnson & Co. for collection, which the brokerage firm hypothecated with the District National Bank as security for a loan.

The jury's verdict returns to Mrs. Trimble the full value sought in promissory notes. Attorneys William H. Donovan, Julius Peyer, and Frank J. Hogan appeared for Mrs. Trimble, while Attorneys Wharton E. Lester and Bernard Johnson defended the bank.

**Two Americans on Torpedoed Steamer**  
LONDON, April 17.—One or two Americans may have been among the eleven men who perished when the British steamer Inverlyon was torpedoed off Pastret last Tuesday, according to two Americans survivors, William Rose, of Lake City, Va., and William George, of Philadelphia, who reached Liverpool today.

George said he thought at least one American was among the missing seamen but was not sure.

**Comrades to Shoot Surrendering Russ**  
BERLIN, April 17 (via Sayville).—Surrendering Russians are liable to shooting by their own comrades, according to the terms of an order sent by the Overseas News Agency to have been found on a captured Russian officer. It provides:

"Attacking troops must be instructed that reserves and artillery will open fire upon them if they should make attempts to surrender."

**Reconstruction of Serbia Under Way**  
Central Powers Invite Inhabitants to Return to Cultivate Farm Lands.

ATHENS, April 17.—Germany has begun reconstructing Serbia. Austria-Hungary has charge of the work, but at the top Germans are directing it. If the people will agree to become Germans—in so far as it is possible to make them over—a point has now been reached where the conquerors evidently are disposed to treat them humanely.

Men are being invited to return to their homes on condition that they cultivate the land in the Austro-German interests. Russian prisoners are even being loaned to help with farm work.

Mila are being refitted with modern machinery, expert engineers have assumed management of the mines and industrial and agricultural improvements in both from the native population.

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**South to Campaign Against Lynching**  
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., April 17.—An aggressive educational campaign against lynching law in the South is to be undertaken immediately by the new Association of Southern Church Colleges.

This organization, composed of representatives of eighteen Southern institutions of learning, was formed here with the election of officers headed by Dr. C. M. Bishop, of the Texas Presbyterian College. It will have the moral support of forty Southern educational institutions.

The object of the association will be to conduct an active campaign against the "spirit which prompts lynchings."

**Wealthy Hoosier, 81, Takes Cook as Bride**  
HILLSDALE, Mich., April 17.—Cyrus K. Fairfield, eighty-one years old, of Fort Wayne, Ind., was married in this city a few days ago to Miss Mary E. Fogle, thirty-four, of Muncie, Ind.

News of the wedding has just become known. Fairfield, who has been a widower for many years, has one daughter. The bride is reported to be worth \$300,000. The bride has been pastric cook at a hotel where Fairfield boarded.

"Miss Fogle and I decided to cast our fortunes together, and she has promised to look after me for the rest of my life. That's all there is to it," the aged bridegroom said.

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It was returning East on the Rock Island railroad, said Mr. Eastman last night, and reached Hachita, N. M., I think it was about eighteen hours before the raid, which was made early in the morning of March 9. I met a United States soldier at the railway station and he got me interested by saying:

**Warned By Soldier.**  
"You are going into a dangerous place. Villa has come over the line at Columbus and has shot up and burned the town, killing a lot of people. The troops are out after him now."

"I related this to several other persons on the train, and naturally we were greatly excited when our train reached Columbus itself on the evening of March 9, and we were told that the bandits attacked the town."

As we jumped from the train the first questions were about the raid. We were surprised to learn that none had taken place, but we were told that it was expected at any time.

**Had Large Force.**  
"Villa was only a few miles over the line with a large force and had been making ready for some time. He might come over any minute. The people at the station laughed when they talked about it, saying they expected a pretty hot time. It was said that a newspaper reporter and a special telegraph operator had already arrived in order to facilitate the sending out of the story."

"When we did hear the news the next day naturally I was not only shocked but mystified. I could not understand how, with every one talking of the raid, Villa's presence and sentiments known all over the United States, soldiers should be asleep, their horses so easily taken and their machine guns so easily jammed. It looked very fishy to me."

"I returned to New York and told Rudolph Sporeck and Charles R. Crane. Full information was given to a gentleman who reported to Washington. I have been given to understand that the investigation has continued ever since. I do not know how far it has gone."

**BOY'S DEVICE MAKES BOMBS HIT TARGET**  
Range Finders For Air Craft Bought By Government.

PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—The Government, after tests by naval officers, has purchased the invention of a Philadelphia youth which will drop bombs accurately from an aeroplane.

The inventor, a boy named J. Erickson, is nineteen. His father was working on the bomb-dropping device when the boy took up the problem.

The device consists of a small box, finally got to the point of the invention to the attention of the Government. Tests made at Norfolk showed that bombs can be dropped within a radius of twelve feet.

The device adopts the idea of an automatic range finder for guns. In frame before the face of the aviator is an indicator by which he can plot out any object in sight on the ground and time the release.

**WINDOW DISPLAY CONTEST OPENED**  
Big List of Entries For Chamber Of Commerce Event.

With the list of entrants well filled, the Chamber of Commerce today opened its window display contest among the mercantile establishments of the city. The contest will conclude Wednesday evening.

The judges will meet at the Chamber tomorrow at noon, and begin their tour of inspection of windows. Five scholarships have been offered by the International Correspondence School as prizes.

The stores entered in the contest have been divided into five classes, and the winner in each will receive one of the scholarships. In addition there are five medals to be awarded to the dressers of the winning windows.

**Begin Work on Great Flood Prevention Dam**  
DAYTON, April 17.—Construction work is under way today on the great engineering project for flood prevention in the Miami valley.

Five mammoth detention basins, large enough to hold back the crest of a flood, will be constructed on the great flood of three years ago, are being erected. The cost of materials will be about \$4,000,000.

There will be five large dams at crucial points. The highest, at Englewood, will rise 120 feet above the surrounding country. The lowest will be 25 feet high, and all 25 feet across at the top.

**Resinol Stops Itching at Once**  
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## LABOR FORUM TURNS INTO A NEAR-RIOT

Curses, Yells, and Groans Greet Defense of Rockefeller and Denunciation of Flag.

NEW YORK, April 17.—"I do not think I should worry any one whether Mr. Maurer did say 'To hell with the Stars and Stripes.'"

As George Creel, of Denver, uttered these words at the Labor Forum, in Washington Irving High School, the audience began to yell.

There was an uproar like the one in the same hall last Sunday night, when the flag incident was first sprung by President J. H. Maurer, of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor.

George A. Wheelock, millionaire retired bookmaker, jumped up and shook his fist at Creel.

"Infamously," cried Mrs. Wheelock, who once was Mrs. Kid McCoy, glaring at Creel.

"If you object to what I say I'll do you there as well as here," he shouted. Creel to the open front door.

**Everybody Shouting.**  
By that time almost everybody in the hall was shouting, hissing, hooting, applauding, or denouncing Creel, and it was five minutes before the latter got to the end of the Stars and Stripes.

Maurer had said in quoting a Pennsylvania trooper's words about the flag, but the sentiment behind the words that counted.

There were shouts of "Up with the flag!" and some one on the platform said: "The investigation of the story. This partly calmed the audience, and many got down off the seats."

From first to last the meeting was on the edge of a riot. The occasion was a debate between Banker Stewart Browne and Mr. Creel as to whether the Labor Forum ought to have the use of the high school or its auditorium. Browne said they should hire a hall if they wanted to attack the Government.

**Rockefeller and Carnegie.**  
"Rockefeller and Carnegie," he said, "didn't fool away their time attending such meetings as this. Men who succeed in life are not 8, 9, and 10-hour a day clock-watchers."

He was hissed and hooted when he said the blood-letting now going on in the country was a mighty good thing.

"The man who won't fight for his country," he said, "deserves to be damned forever."

Creel said that Browne's doctrine was force, and he ought to nominate Jess Willard for President; and it was to Roosevelt's shame, he didn't attend such meetings as this.

**Judges Announced For Horse Show**  
Reginald Vanderbilt Heads List For Exhibit From May 6 to 11.

Judges who are to tie the ribbons at the National Capital Horse Show, May 6 to 11, were announced today.

Heading the list is Reginald Vanderbilt, of New York. He has been assigned to the harness division, with George Hume, also of New York. Both Mr. Vanderbilt and Mr. Hume are recognized as experts upon the qualities of harness horses.

The other judges are Louis Waring, of New York; H. M. Luttrell, of Delaware; W. W. Whitehead, of U. S. A., and Capt. W. W. Whitehead, of the Government remount station, at Front Royal, Va. They will make the awards in the saddle and hunting classes, with Mr. Luttrell and Major Kelly specially assigned to the hunter division.

More than seven hundred classes will be contested during the five-day meet, and the leading show ring stock of the country will be entered.

A. D. Addison, secretary of the association, announced today that the advance sale of seats had broken all records, but that but few of the boxes have been sold. Practically all the stable room on the grounds also has been reserved.

**DOZEN IN CARTON**  
Boneless Breakfast Bacon 22c  
Lean Strips or Machine Sliced. Lb. .... 22c

**Pure Open Kettle Rendered Lard**  
Just Like Home-made. Lb. .... 14c  
GOLD MEDAL FLOUR 6 LB. SACK 25c

**BREAD**  
Hot Morning and Noon 3 Loaves 10c  
String Beans 2 Cans 9c

## Lull in Fighting at Verdun Is Continued

BERLIN, April 17.—The lull in the Verdun fighting continued last night. The war office announced this afternoon that nothing of importance has occurred on the entire west front. On the east front, the Russians were active around the Dvinsk bridgehead.

## SOLID RUBBER BOTTOMS ASSURE FOOT EASE

Emancipation From Foot Troubles Sought By Scores Daily at Klein's.

The saying, "Walk on Velvet" has ceased to be a mere figure of speech for it is now a reality. Thousands of men and women who have suffered from tired and aching feet now know absolute foot comfort.

This seeming miracle has been accomplished by the solid rubber bottoms which are being placed on shoes by Klein's Rapid Shoe Repair Co., at its headquarters, 736 14th street N. W., and at its branch, 714 14th street N. W. In but a few moments' time they can be attached to your old shoes.

"It's the next thing to walking on air" was the expression of one pleased customer that aptly conveys the idea of the solid comfort experienced in their wearing. While lighter than leather, they're even more durable.

Foot-sufferers should be prompt to take advantage of the comfort afforded by these solid rubber shoe bottoms. Call at either of the above places, or telephone Main 98 and work will be called for and delivered.—Adv.

**WHEN YOU WAKE UP DRINK GLASS OF HOT WATER**  
Wash the poisons and toxins from system before putting more food into stomach.

Says inside-bathing makes anyone look and feel clean, sweet and refreshed.

Wash yourself on the inside before breakfast like you do on the outside. This is vastly more important because the skin pores do not absorb impurities into the blood, causing illness, while the bowel pores do.

For every ounce of food and drink taken into the stomach, nearly an ounce of waste material must be carried out of the body. If this waste material is not eliminated day by day it quickly ferments and generates poisons, gases and toxins which are absorbed or sucked into the blood stream, through the lymph ducts which should suck only nourishment to sustain the body.

A splendid health measure is to drink, before breakfast each day, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it, which is a harmless way to wash these poisons, gases, and toxins from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels; this cleansing, sweetening and freshening the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach.

A quarter pound of limestone phosphate costs but very little at the drug store, but is sufficient to make anyone an enthusiast on inside-bathing. Men and women who are accustomed to sleep up with a dull, aching head, or have turned toward the doctor, or have bilious attacks, acid stomach or constipation, or any other pronounced improvement in both health and appearance shortly.—Adv.

**Tuesday and Wednesday SPECIALS**  
MILLBROOK EGGS  
Strictly Fresh, Selected for Size and Quality

**25c**

**SWIFT'S Premium OLEO**  
LB. .... 22c

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